

Comment to FCC NPRM&O WT Docket 05-235

I am neither in favor nor in support of WT Docket 05-235 to eliminate the Morse code requirement to obtain an Amateur Radio License of General Class or above.

The "No-Code" Entry Level licensing has not achieved the expected results had in fact has had a negative impact on the ability of the Amateur Service to provide a pool of well trained operators with the ability to serve during disasters to provide emergency communications.

Further, the No-Code Licensing has in fact lead to the general erosion of the respect for the license privileges leading to increased violations of the FCC Rules and Regulations and to increased intentional interference on the amateur radio bands.

No-Code has been a failure from the start and to remove the requirement will most certainly lead to much greater decline of the Amateur Radio Service. I am and have been a member of the ARRL for many years but do not support their initiatives to eliminate or reduce the requirements or knowledge to obtain an amateur license.

As a repeater operator for over twenty five years I can attest to the fact that the No-Code licensing has resulted in a tremendous amount of malicious interference, in unidentified transmissions, and in the overall attitude to continue to keep amateur radio available as a viable tool to provide public service.

Respectfully,

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